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CG FOR CAPT. KNAPP, OPERATIONS CUSTOMS FOR JOHN TEBEAU

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UR, US

SUBJECT:SOVIET VESSELS OFF ALASKA

REFS: (A) MOSCOW 941; (B) STATE 14667

, APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S PROMPT DEMARCHE TO MFA DESCRIBED
REFTEL 941. TO UNDERScore DEPT. INTEREST IN CASE
DEPTOFFS EDGAR AND TREICHEL CONVEYED CONTENTS REFTEL
14667 TO SOVIET EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY TREPYKHLIN
DURING LATTER'S CALL IN DEPT. JANUARY 23. DEPTOFFS
STRESSED TREPYKALIN IMPORTANCE OF TWO UNDAMAGED SOVIET
VESSELS WHICH HAD BEEN IN US WATERS REPORTING TO CUSTOMS.
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DEPTOFFS ALSO LAID SPECIAL STRESS ON CONTENTS PARA 5 OF

REF 14667.

2. DEPT. ALSO POINTED OUT TO TREPYKHALIN THAT TWO
SOVIET VESSELS HAVE BEEN STANDING 25-30 MILES OFF
KODIAK FOR SEVERAL DAYS AWAITING GUIDANCE FROM VLADIVOSTOK

ON REPORTING QUESTION. IT IS CLEAR THAT SHIPS ARE
AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOSCOW ON WHETHER TO REPORT
OR NOT.

3. TREPYKHALIN ASKED WHETHER ONE OF TWO SOVIET SHIPS
COULD FULFILL REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR BOTH OR WHETHER
CUSTOMS COULD SEND REPRESENTATIVE OUT TO SOVIET SHIPS.
IN RESPONSE DEPT. MADE CLEAR TO TREPYKHALIN THAT
MANNER OF ACCOMPLISHING REPORTING REQUIREMENT WAS UP
TO US AUTHORITIES ON SCENE, NAMELY CUSTOMS AND COAST

GUARD. DEPT INTEREST WAS TO SEE THAT US LAW WAS
COMPLIED WITH. SISCO

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